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SUBJ: RECENT USDA REPORT; ARRIVAL OF U.S. ANIMAL HUSBANDRY ADVISER

1. USINT HAS JUST RECEIVED EXCELLENT FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIC AUGUST 1976 REPORT NO. 125, "THE AGRICULTURAL SITUATION IN AFRICA AND WEST ASIA". OUR COMPLIMENTS TO JOE WILLETT, DIRECT FDCD, USDA/ERS TO JOHN PARKER AND OTHER WHO CONTRIBUTED. PLEASE SEND US FIFTY COPIES OF PPS 35-36 ON IRAQ AND PPS 3-6 ON RICE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

2. WE HOPE THAT JOHN PARKER WILL BE RETURNING TO IRAQ THIS AUTUMN TO KEEP ABREAST OF FAST MOVING DEVELOPEMENTS IN IRAQI ANIMAL, VEGETABLE, AND GRAINS PRODUCTION.

3. NEW SUBJECT: WE WERE VISIT AUGUST 30 BY AMCITZ DR. WILLIAM A. HARGUS, WHO WILL BE FAO/UNDP ANIMAL HUSBANDRY ADVISER TO IRAQI MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE DURING NEXT YEAR. HAS DISCHARGED SIMILAR ROLES IN MEXICO AND VENEZUELA. BELIEVE HE WILL BE HELPFUL CONTACT FOR JOHN PARKER, SHACKFORD PITCHER AND OTHER USDA OFFICIALS WE EXPECT TO SEE IN NEXT SIX MONTHS.

4. NEW SUBJECT: WOULD APPRECIATE AUTHOR'S IDENTIFICATION OF US FIRM DESCRIBED P 35F OF PARA ONE ABOVE REPORT AS ABOUT TO "DEVELOPE 50,000 HECTARES NORTH OF BAGHDAD AND BUILD A CANNERY TO PRESERVE OUTPUT WHICH MIGHT EXCEED SEASONAL FRESH
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MARKET NEEDS (FOR VEGETABLES)". THIS IS FIRST NEWS USINT HAS OF

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